

IN THE MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS WESTERN DISTRICT

COMPLETE TITLE OF CASE

IN THE INTEREST OF T.J.P., Jr.

JUVENILE OFFICER,

Respondent,

v.

T.L. (Mother),

Appellant.

DOCKET NUMBER WD76551

**MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
WESTERN DISTRICT**

DATE: March 4, 2014

APPEAL FROM

The Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri
The Honorable Justine E. Del Muro, Judge

JUDGES

Division One: Martin, P.J., and Pfeiffer and Mitchell, JJ.

CONCURRING.

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS, WESTERN DISTRICT

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Before Division One Judges: Cynthia L. Martin, Presiding Judge, and Mark D. Pfeiffer and Karen King Mitchell, Judges

T.L. (Mother) appeals the trial court's order terminating her parental rights to her minor child (Child). Mother argues that the trial court failed to make certain required findings; the findings the trial court did make were legally insufficient and not supported by the evidence; and the evidence does not support a finding that termination was in Child's best interests.

AFFIRMED.

Division One holds:

There is clear, cogent, and convincing evidence to support termination under section 211.447.5(3), and evidence supporting one statutory ground for termination is sufficient to affirm the judgment.

The trial court sufficiently identified a causal connection between Mother's mental illness and risk of harm to the minor child.

There is substantial evidence to support the trial court's finding that termination was in the best interests of the minor child.

Opinion by: Karen King Mitchell, Judge

March 4, 2014

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